The thought for the month

AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN CHURCH

November 2021 - No. 41

Service 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at



While we are not able to have services at the moment, you can look at the powerpoint of our service on our website.

https://adcfonline.com/

The powerpoint of the service is on the website page called PowerPoints from Services.

Other pages have lots of interesting information.

Auckland is at Alert level 3

All services and social gatherings are cancelled.

Remember

Wash your hands lots.

Always wear a mask when leaving your house.

Jacinda Arden (Prime Minister) has let us meet another bubble so long as we are outside so picnics and barbeques are OK. There is a limit of 10 people.



Dates for your diary Only if we are at level 1, cancelled if alert level 2, 3 OR 4

- **7 November** Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service with communion. Service at a new place the committee will let you know where it is.
- 21 November Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. A committee meeting after.
- **5 December** Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service with communion. Rev Nicola Grundy taking this service.
- 19 December Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. A committee meeting after.

No services in January.

6 February 2022 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF with communion.

Please pray for

Pray for God's blessings on these people;

Des, Mavis, Elsa, June and Phyllis (all in care homes) also Ngaire – pray for their general wellbeing.

Tom and Rhona – pray for their general wellbeing.

Johanna – Please pray for continued healing of Johanna's shoulder.

Pray that a suitable new place is found for ADCF (see notice).

If anybody has any prayer requests, please contact Michelle or any one of the Committee members and this will be added to the newsletter.



Bible Quiz

Psalm 1

This psalm tells us that life has 2 roads. We can choose the direction we take.

- 1 What will make a person truly happy?
- 2 What does a good person love to do?
- 3. What are bad people like?
- 4 What will happen to bad people?

Come and join Michelle for a zoon

Come and join Michelle for a zoom or skype chat on Thursdays

21 and 28 October

4, 11 and 18 November 2021

from 7 until 8.

Email Michelle on <u>0508.michelle@gmail.com</u> for the link or Skype name.

ADCF is on the move

We have been advised that Rosebank Peninsula Church building is to be sold.

There will be no more services at Rosebank Peninsula church.

Watch this space for our new meeting place





Birthdays coming up

Barbara Cunliffe – 8 November

Glenn Schischka – 21 November

Des Marett – 26 November

Mavis Marett – 4 December



Save these dates for Christmas Socials

December 11

December 19

Details coming later

Message from our chairman, Glenn

God is for you and also, God is for me. God is amazing, he can be with everyone at the same time (this is called omnipresence meaning He is with everyone in every place and time). God always wants to bless people. He wants people to know the truth and be saved to have an eternal (forever and ever) life with him.

In 1 Timothy 2:5 "There is only one God. And there is only one way that people can reach God. That way is through Jesus Christ." (Holy Bible, English Version for the Deaf)

The bible is for all people to read. Reading it every day is the only way for people to keep learning about God and to know the truth. By doing that, you will learn and continue to grow in Christ. The bible is the most important book in the world for you. We can see in history, people who made too many mistakes in their life because they did not obey God.

In Proverbs 15:3 "The Lord sees what happens everywhere. The Lord watches every person – good and bad." (Holy Bible, English Version for the Deaf)

The sinful (bad) people who are doing things which God hates. It is possible to run and hide from COVID-19 but it is impossible to run away from God. God is everywhere. No matter where we go or what we do during lockdown. God is always there.

Paul is in Athens and has this to say In Acts 17:28 "We live with him. We walk with him. We are with him. Some of your writers have said "We are his children." (Holy Bible, English Version for the Deaf)

But we cannot hide from God. He is always with us. That means that during the lockdown, God gives us the power to live, move and do things that we do.

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father. Many, many thanks for always being with me and for guiding (helping) me to stay in safe places always from bad things. In Jesus's name.

Amen

Quiz answers

- 1 A person will be truly happy when they do 3 things
 - don't follow bad people's advice
- don't live with bad people that say bad thigs about God.
- don't feel comfortable with people that mock (discredit) God.
- 2 A good person loves to the Lord's teachings, they read the bible and think about what they have read because to follow God's Word, you have to know what it says.
- 3 Bad people are like chaff blown away in the wind (Chaff is the outer shell or husk that is worthless to get the valuable grain inside by a process called threshing or winnowing).
- 4 Bad people will be judged guilty. At the time of judgement, bad people have no place among the good people and they will be separated.

To be a good person and achieve anything worthwhile, we must have God's word in our hearts.





From our Pastoral Care, Johanna

Greetings brothers & sisters who believe in Jesus Christ our Lord.

I'm writing to encourage you like Paul did in Bible days. We are all going through hard or challenging times. It is hard not being allowed to meet with each other because of COVID alert levels. We love meeting face to face to worship God together in sign. What we can do is text or write to each other.

God created us to worship Him in our hearts. Do You believe God created You? Remember what you believe is important. God Loves You and cares for You. Jesus told his followers to show understanding (compassion) & kindness (grace) & love because we know and believe in God. I'm sure we all find it frustrating and sometimes very lonely but all we need to do is pray to God even if we can't meet to worship.

May God's grace (kindness) be with each of you.

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